

30. (Added) The method of claim 26, wherein the core material comprises polystyrene-acrylonitrile, Nylon-6, polyoxymethylene, polyurethane and poly(para-divinylphenylene) or mixtures thereof.
31. (Added) The method of claim 26, wherein the coating material is softer than the core material.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Insert the following before "Field of the Invention":

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REMARKS

No new matter was added by this preliminary amendment.

Please use 30-4820 DIV2 (4780) as the docket number for this application.

REQUEST FOR ALLOWANCE

Claims 20-31 are pending in this application. The applicants request allowance of all pending claims.

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